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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended): An audio system/cup assembly comprising:

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a cup member for holding a beverage; the cup member having an exterior diameter; the cup member having a bottom wall; the cup member having a first tubular sidewall extending upward from the bottom wall; the cup member having a second tubular sidewall extending downward from the bottom wall; the inner surface of the second tubular sidewall being threaded to form a threaded opening in the underside of the cup member for securing a first removable base member to the cup member; and

the first removable base member being an audio system base member having an upper portion and a lower portion; the upper portion having a threaded cylindrical exterior surface that threads into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to secure the audio system base member to the cup member; the upper portion of the audio system base member being a battery housing for housing a battery to power the audio system; the lower portion of the audio system base member housing the audio system components of the audio system and having a generally cylindrical exterior sidewall and is greater in exterior diameter than the exterior diameter of the cup member to stabilize the audio system cup assembly when the audio system cup assembly is placed on a surface; an annular radio antenna being located in an upper surface of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the annular radio antenna having a diameter greater than the exterior diameter of the cup member whereby the antenna is exposed to enhance reception of radio signals.

[Claims 2 to 4 (canceled)

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Claim ~~5~~ (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 4~~ claim 1, wherein:

the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has audio system controls on the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the radio base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls toward a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her right hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~8~~ (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 4~~ claim 1, wherein:

A) the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has audio system controls on one side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member and a speaker facing toward the opposite side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls toward and the speaker facing away from a person holding the radio-cup assembly in his/her right hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~8~~ (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 4~~ claim 1, wherein:

the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has audio system controls on the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls toward a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her left hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~8~~ (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 4~~ claim 1, wherein:

the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has audio system controls on one side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member and a speaker facing the opposite side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls toward and the speaker facing away from a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her left hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup

member.

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Claim ~~9~~ (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ⁶claim 18 claim 1, wherein:

~~the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has audio system controls on the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate~~ the preselected position ~~locates~~ the audio system controls toward a person holding the audio system cup assembly in his/her right hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~10~~ (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ⁶claim 18 claim 1, wherein:

~~the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has~~ the audio system controls of the audio system base member are on one side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member and a speaker facing faces the opposite side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and ~~the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate~~ the preselected position ~~locates~~ the audio system controls toward and the speaker facing away from a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her right hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~11~~ (original): The audio system/cup assembly of ⁸claim 10, wherein:
the upper portion of the audio system base member is a battery housing for a battery to power the audio system.

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Claim ~~12~~ (original): The audio system/cup assembly of ⁸claim 10, wherein:
the lower portion of the audio system base member housing the audio system components has a generally cylindrical exterior sidewall and is greater in exterior diameter than the exterior diameter of the cup member to stabilize the audio system/cup assembly when the audio system/cup assembly is placed on a surface.

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Claim 13 (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 19~~ claim 1,
wherein:

the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has audio system controls on the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the preselected position locates the audio system controls toward a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her left hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim 14 (currently amended): The audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 19~~ claim 1,
wherein:

the cup member has a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has the audio system controls of the audio system base member are on one side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member and a speaker facing faces the opposite side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the preselected position locates the audio system controls toward and the speaker facing away from a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her left hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

Claim 15 (original): The audio system/cup assembly of claim 14, wherein:

the upper portion of the audio system base member is a battery housing for a battery to power the audio system.

Claim 16 (original): The audio system/cup assembly of claim 14, wherein:

the lower portion of the audio system base member housing the audio system components has a generally cylindrical exterior sidewall and is greater in exterior diameter than the exterior diameter of the cup member to stabilize the audio system/cup assembly when the audio system/cup assembly is placed on a surface.

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Claim ~~17~~ (currently amended): The An audio system/cup assembly of ~~claim 1~~,

including comprising:

a cup member for holding a beverage; the cup member having an exterior diameter; the cup member having a bottom wall; the cup member having a first tubular sidewall extending upward from the bottom wall; the cup member having a second tubular sidewall extending downward from the bottom wall; the inner surface of the second tubular sidewall being threaded to form a threaded opening in the underside of the cup member for securing a first removable base member to the cup member;

the first removable base member being an audio system base member having an upper portion and a lower portion; the upper portion having a threaded cylindrical exterior surface that threads into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to secure the audio system base member to the cup member; and

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a second removable base member to be substituted for the audio system base member for use in holding the audio system/cup assembly in a vehicle cup holder smaller in diameter than the exterior diameter of the cup member; the second removable base member having an upper portion with a threaded cylindrical exterior surface that threads into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to secure the second removable base member to the cup member and a lower portion, with a cylindrical exterior surface having a diameter less than the exterior diameter of the cup member, to be inserted in a vehicle cup holder.

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Claim 18⁶ (currently amended): The An audio system/cup assembly of claim 1, wherein comprising:

a cup member for holding a beverage; the cup member having an exterior diameter; the cup member having a bottom wall; the cup member having a first tubular sidewall extending upward from the bottom wall; the cup member having a second tubular sidewall extending downward from the bottom wall; the inner surface of the second tubular sidewall being threaded to form a threaded opening in the underside of the cup member for securing a removable base member to the cup member;

the removable base member being an audio system base member having an upper portion and a lower portion; the upper portion having a threaded cylindrical exterior surface that threads into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to secure the audio system base member to the cup member; and

the cup member has having a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has having audio system controls on the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates mating with the

threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls in a preselected position relative to a person holding the audio system cup assembly in his/her right hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~19~~ (currently amended): The An audio system/cup assembly of claim 1, wherein comprising:

a cup member for holding a beverage; the cup member having an exterior diameter; the cup member having a bottom wall; the cup member having a first tubular sidewall extending upward from the bottom wall; the cup member having a second tubular sidewall extending downward from the bottom wall; the inner surface of the second tubular sidewall being threaded to form a threaded opening in the underside of the cup member for securing a removable base member to the cup member;

the removable base member being an audio system base member having an upper portion and a lower portion; the upper portion having a threaded cylindrical exterior surface that threads into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to secure the audio system base member to the cup member; and

the cup member has having a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has having audio system controls on the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member mates mating with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls in a preselected position relative to a person holding the audio system cup assembly in his/her left hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.

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Claim ~~20~~ (currently amended): The An audio system/cup assembly of claim 1, wherein comprising:

a cup member for holding a beverage; the cup member having an exterior diameter; the cup member having a bottom wall; the cup member having a first tubular sidewall extending upward from the bottom wall; the cup member having a second tubular sidewall extending downward from the bottom wall; the inner surface of the second tubular sidewall being threaded to form a threaded opening in the underside of the cup member for securing a removable base member to the cup member;

the removable base member being an audio system base member having an upper portion and a lower portion; the upper portion having a threaded cylindrical exterior surface

that threads into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to secure the audio system base member to the cup member; and

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the cup member has having a vertically extending handle on the exterior surface of the upper tubular sidewall; the audio system base member has having audio system controls on one side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member and a speaker facing the opposite side of the exterior sidewall of the lower portion of the audio system base member; and the threaded upper portion of the audio system base member ~~mates~~ mates with the threaded interior surface of the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member to locate the audio system controls and the speaker in preselected positions relative to a person holding the audio system/cup assembly in his/her right hand when the audio system base member is fully threaded into the threaded opening in the underside of the cup member.
